

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Allowed - Currently Amended) A cosmetic composition comprising, in a cosmetically acceptable medium,

crosslinked copolymer comprising at least one methacrylic acid unit and at least one C₁-C₄ alkyl acrylate unit,

cationic polymer chosen from polyethyleneimine and guar hydroxypropyl trimonium chloride, and

water-insoluble solid mineral particle chosen from clays and particles comprising about 100% by weight of substantially pure calcium carbonate,

where in wherein concentration of the crosslinked copolymer is present in an amount ranging from 0.1% to 5% by weight, relative to the total weight of the composition, and the cationic polymer is present in an amount ranging from 0.01% to 10% by weight, relative to the total weight of the composition, and the water insoluble solid mineral particle is present in an amount ranging from 0.01% to 10% by weight, relative to the total weight of the composition.

2. (Allowed - Previously Presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 1, wherein the at least one methacrylic acid unit is present in an amount ranging from 20% to 80% by weight, relative to the total weight of the copolymer.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Allowed - Previously Presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 2, wherein the at least one methacrylic acid unit is present in an amount ranging from 35% to 60% by weight, relative to the total weight of the copolymer.

5. (Allowed - Previously Presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 1, wherein the at least one alkyl acrylate unit is present in an amount ranging from 15% to 80% by weight, relative to the total weight of the copolymer.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Allowed - Previously Presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 5, wherein the at least one alkyl acrylate unit is present in an amount ranging from 40% to 65% by weight, relative to the total weight of the copolymer.

8. (Allowed - Previously Presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 1, wherein the at least one alkyl acrylate unit is chosen from methyl acrylate, ethyl acrylate and butyl acrylate.

9. (Allowed - Previously Presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 8, wherein the at least one alkyl acrylate is ethyl acrylate.

10-35. (Canceled)

36. (Allowed - Previously Presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 1, wherein the cationic polymer is polyethylenimine.

37-56. (Canceled)

57. (Allowed - Previously Presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises at least one silicone.

58-59. (Canceled)

60. (Allowed - Previously Presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 57, wherein the at least one silicone is chosen from polyalkylsiloxanes comprising trimethylsilyl end groups, polyalkylsiloxanes comprising dimethylsilanol end groups, mixtures of two PDMSs comprising at least one gum and at least one oil with different viscosities, mixtures of organosiloxanes and of cyclic silicones, and organopolysiloxane resins.

61. (Allowed - Previously Presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises at least one agent that is beneficial to a keratin material, chosen from esters of C₁-C₃₀ carboxylic acids and of alcohols chosen from C₁-C₃₀ monohydroxylated and polyhydroxylated alcohols, plant, animal, mineral and synthetic oils, waxes, ceramides and pseudoceramides.

62. (Allowed - Previously Presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 57, wherein the at least one silicone is present in an amount ranging from 0.001% to 20% by weight, relative to the total weight of the composition.

63. (Canceled)

64. (Allowed - Previously Presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 61, wherein the at least one agent that is beneficial to a keratin material is present in an amount ranging from 0.001% to 20% by weight, relative to the total weight of the composition.

65. (Canceled)

66. (Allowed - Previously Presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises at least one surfactant chosen from anionic, nonionic, amphoteric and cationic surfactants, and mixtures thereof.

67-72. (Canceled)

73. (Allowed - Previously Presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 1, wherein the composition is in a form chosen from shampoos, conditioners, compositions for permanent-waving, relaxing, dyeing and bleaching hair, rinse-out compositions to be applied between the two steps of a permanent-waving or hair-relaxing operation, and washing compositions for a body.

74-84. (Canceled)